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"With or without offense to friends or foes
I sketch your world exactly as it goes."

Properly Classified a "Have-Not"

Having disowned God ever since the days of the Munich putsch, persecuted church and clergy, reincarnated the pagan deities of Teutonic mythology as Nazi gods, Adolf Hitler has now taken the Almighty into partnership and assured the German people that God is with them, that "God up to now has placed the stamp of approval on our battle" and will in 1941 "bring completion of the greatest victory in our history."

This is not the only change of front made by the Reichsfuehrer as in his previous speech he declared himself the champion of the "have-nots" warring against the "haves," including the German nation among the "have-nots" and the democracies among the "haves" whom he is battling to dispossess.

It is hard to conceive Hitler as a "have-not." He has supreme power over the lives and fortunes of millions of men and his every act has repercussions over the entire globe. He resides in palaces with retinues of servants, and has enslaved half the inhabitants of Europe. He commands the greatest military establishment in the world's history. And "have-not" Germany now possesses most of European territory.

In one respect however Hitler told the truth, and really is a "have-not," though his hands are stained by the blood of countless innocents, for he lacks the greatest of human possessions, charity toward his fellow men. As Paul the Apostle puts it:

"Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing."

And charity as St. Paul preached, "is kind, envieth not, vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, does not behave itself unseemly, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil, rejoiceth not in iniquity," none of which virtues are possessed by the arrogant, puffed-up, evil thinking and hate fomenting revenge seeking, blood lusting and destructive egoist ruling the new Germany.

Hitler, therefore, properly classes himself, despite his pomp and power and riches among the "have-nots."

Fostering a New Industry

Since the repeal of prohibition seven years ago fruit growers of the Willamette valley, southern Oregon and the Moser and Hood River districts have been hoping, praying and scheming for the establishment and development of a wine industry to provide a market for their surplus products. Various devices to encourage the establishment of commercial wineries have been produced and a few of them tried, but the infant industry languishes through inability of Oregon wine makers to meet the price competition of a thoroughly organized and well established outside wine industry.

California floods the market with wines made from \$12-a-ton grapes, naturally fermented. The cost of manufacture is one-fifth or less than the cost of loganberry wine, which requires a large percentage of sugar.

The differential in the cost of production in favor of California grape wines is too great to be absorbed completely by increasing the import tax. And such taxes are becoming more and more unpopular on the theory that they constitute unreasonable and undesirable barriers to trade between the states, on which grounds Governor Sprague during the last session of the legislature served notice he would veto any legislation involving the interstate tax feature.

The subsequent search for a substitute means of protecting the struggling wine industry in the state has been unavailing. Every plan suggested is but a camouflaged variation of the tax principle. In some of them are contained vicious jokers that would set up monopolies of the retail wine business for the professed benefit, but really at the expense of the growers, who should be cautious of their commitments on these legislative proposals. If the industry is potentially worth legislative encouragement and protection, that protection should be along clean-cut lines and not formulated to pull the chestnuts of other interests out of the fire.

Pyramided Fraud

Howard C. Hopson, who rose from newsboy to shine in high finance as the founder of the Associated Gas and Electric system, with its control of public power utilities in many states, has been convicted in a two months trial in the New York federal courts on 18 counts of mail fraud charges of robbing the utility of \$20,000,000 of the system's assets.

The New York papers published daily columns of the evidence submitted by the government, detailing how from small borrowed capital, by use of the holding company pyramiding device, he built up his utility empire and defrauded the system by padding bills, profiting on bond deals through the buying and selling of securities among the systems' many subsidiaries, and using the money to settle stockholders' derivation suits against it to keep the frauds from publicity.

Hopson was the evil genius of the utilities and more corrupt than even Sam Insull, who had some redeeming qualities. They and their ilk are largely responsible for the plight privately owned utilities are in today. Their greedy tactics, frauds and muleting manipulations have reflected on the industry and even the honestly conducted utilities suffer for their sins. The craze for public ownership is the logical result.

Girls Are Entertained

St. Paul—Miss Carol Mae Mirren was hostess at a Christmas party for a group of girls. Those present were, Misses Marjorie McKillop, Audrey Feiz, Marjorie Bernard, Bernice Kuensting, Betty Manegre and the hostess Miss Meriten. After the girls had an exchange of gifts, a lunch was served.

Stockholms Are Home

Monmouth—Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Stockholm are back from a six weeks' tour in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Stockholm's native state, The Stockholms traveled by train over a northern route and returned by the same route as far as Chicago where they took the Rock Island for El Paso, Texas and the Southern Pacific for the remaining distance, with a stopover in Los Angeles with friends.

Mrs. Moyer's Guests

Falls City—Mrs. Maymie B. Hogue and her grandson Bob Krebs of Portland visited with her sister Mrs. Jessie Moyer on Friday.

Action Versus Words

By Beck



Sips for Supper

By Don Upjohn

And for the fourteenth time since this aimless wayfaring column entered a ragged existence we say "Happy New Year" to the customers, hoping against hope it will turn out as intended.

The three people on the downtown streets this a.m., all seemed to be facing the future with stout hearts and everything around the place looked happy enough in starting off the year with the exception of the now rather bedraggled fir stringers hanging across the streets. Their is a sort of hectic existence. Pulled out of their solitude in the forest to grace a Christmas holiday amid the lights and cheer and bustle enlivened by listening to Christmas chimes from the top of the First National bank building, they no sooner get into the spirit of the thing than they are yanked down and sent to the incinerator. Just as everybody starts yelling "Happy New Year" they are gathered into the arms of the undertaker and laid away. A short life, but a merry one.

Big News of 1940
Our column went through 1940 with some major achievements. While our statistical department hasn't completed all of its data and to date has merely made a cursory survey, indications are that reports from the FT & BA will show a big year just closed. A lot of quantity material came into the organization and we're looking ahead to even bigger things in 1941. Also we're glad to report that we galloped through the Leap Year without losing our two old standbys, Frank Lynch and Carl Gabrielson. They celebrated the first Leap Year enjoyed by our column and have plugged along through subsequent similar epochs and seemingly have come through the latest barrage unscathed. Both of the boys expressed their happiness at the conclusion of another successful defense and look forward to 1941 when they expect to be back on their own again.

History Repeats

Moundville, W. Va. — Sheriff Frank H. Patton retired at midnight last night after a four-year term in office and history repeated. To the day and the hour, 100 years ago, his grandfather, William Patton, retired as sheriff of Monroe county, Ohio, after four years in office.

There the parallel stops, Patton said, for his grandfather married four times, had 15 children, and outlived all of his wives.

Surprise

Iola, Kan.—An airplane was reported to have crashed.

An Iola Register reporter arrived first at the scene. Then came a lawyer, next an undertaker and finally two cars of policemen and state highway patrolmen.

They found the wreckage of a miniature airplane.

Bunny Bungle

Eugene, Ore.—Bun Moody swears to this one.

His untrained cocker spaniel chased a cottontail into a brush pile.

Tiring of its vigil, the dog wandered off and started digging at a nearby rabbit burrow. Suddenly the rabbit darted out of the brush, worked its way alongside the dog's head in the opening of the hole, and tried to squirm past.

The dog, its attention finally distracted from digging, caught the rabbit.

Vanishing Vocation

Chicago—The horse shoeing business isn't completely extinct in Chicago but the vocation is not attracting many, reports A. J. Meade, of the state department of education and registration.

He disclosed that only nine applications for horse shoes, he said, now work at race tracks.

Campers Are Called

Lebanon—Miss Donna Gill, who conducts Camp Tamarack near Sisters, is making elaborate plans for the holiday reunion of former campers which will be held next Thursday in Portland. In the afternoon girls who will attend from many parts of the state will ride at Nichols academy and that evening a dinner is planned at Thieles. This is the second year that the reunion has been held.

Flu Hits Robertsons

Turner—The Art Robertson family have had a severe time with influenza. With both sick in bed and unable to look after the dairy, Mrs. Robertson's brother and assistance of H. Baker and Melvin they were succumbing until Mr. Wood and Baker finally caught the flu. The sister, after looking after Mrs. Robertson and her housework returned to her own home after a few days.

Kelly Says:

70-Car Railroad Bill May Get By

SEC Formulating More Legislation

Mott to Take Up Highway Bills Early

By John W. Kelly

Washington, Jan. 1.—That perennial 70-car railroad bill will be offered to congress next month or later, with a fairly excellent chance of passing, Oregon and Washington legislators have had experience with it, and know the battles it has caused. Now the bill will appear on the national scene, with strong backing.

This measure, if enacted, will be of no special benefit to the general public, but it will affect a number of railroads (some eastern lines with coal cars; some western lines hauling wheat) and will result in additional jobs for railroaders. This is what is behind the bill—more jobs. The cost of operating railroads affected will be materially increased by the additional train crews and this is why railroads have bitterly opposed the passage of the measure in the past. Also, it will affect, indirectly, banks and life insurance companies which hold railroad stocks and bonds.

Position Stronger
As matters stand, the 70-car bill is a bone of contention and will continue to be so until it is definitely disposed of. There is no falling off in support by the railroaders and they are preparing for a drive to push the measure through congress. Already the railroad men have considerable strength in both branches of congress among members who carry water and have generally laid the foundation to give the bill action. Appeals will be made to every member of congress by railroaders in all parts of the country and the position of the measure is in better shape than heretofore. One argument against the bill in the past is disappearing. Railroads have shown increased carloadings through the defense program; the carriers, in the main, are slowly beginning to make some money. Railroaders have seized upon this as a further spur to pass the measure, contending that increased business justifies their demand.

Joe Carson Now Private Citizen

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SEC Backs Committee

Behind the so-called monopoly committee (whose life was extended until April) is the security and exchange commission. From time to time the committee has issued documents dealing with various phases of the economic life of America, ranging from control of patents to life insurance companies, but no recommendations of the committee have yet been made. The results of the probe are scheduled for April and are to be embodied in a series of measures by SEC. What the reform legislation will contain is, for the present, a secret with members of the staff of SEC, but there is a feeling of disquietude in many fields of endeavor.

SEC is filled with economic reformers who feel that their mission in life is to remake the world, and to a certain extent they have been successful. The recommendations of the monopoly committee will provide SEC with a wide range and whatever reform legislation Mr. Roosevelt has in mind will blossom under the commission. The appointment of members to the federal benches (as has been suggested) will not deter SEC from proposing new methods of doing business, for underlings already have rough drafts of several measures.

Sullivan to Clean Hall

For 24 years Christy Sullivan has served in congress. Christy is a Tammany man; not only that, he is chief of the organization. Almost unknown, Sullivan has served year after year, a member of the ways and means committee, and never having a word to say. In his 24 years in congress there is no speech of his in Congressional Record, not a line, not a thing. It is some sort of a record in a group of 435 where almost everyone gets up and talks. But not Christy Sullivan. He is perhaps the only chief of Tammany who hasn't been lampooned by the press, and this he achieved by keeping his mouth shut.

Mr. Sullivan is voluntarily retiring from congress. He did not choose to run last year, not that he is old but Tammany needs him and Christy will return to New York and try to gather the odds and ends together of the shattered organization.

McNary to Recuparate

Senator Charles L. McNary will not be in his seat when congress meets. The senator, recuperating from pneumonia, will be at Palm Springs, Calif., for about 10 days before returning to Washington, where he is awaited in the preparation of organization for the session. Palm Springs is in the desert country. . . . Rep. James W. Mott, Oregon member of the house com-

Survivors Tell Of Discomfort Aboard Raiders

Canberra, Australia, Jan. 1 (AP)—Vivid stories of months in crowded quarters aboard German raiders came today from 406 men, women and children brought to Australia after being marooned by their Nazi captors on a lonely Pacific island.

Seventy women and seven children were among the passengers and crew members from British, Norwegian and other ships rescued by Australian vessels from Enlrau Island, in the Bismarck Archipelago just south of the equator.

They reported that other survivors taken by the Germans from three ships were still prisoners aboard the raider.

Those rescued and brought to Australia were landed at Enlrau by the Nazis December 21, presumably because of difficulty in feeding them.

Among them were survivors from the British ships Rangitane, Komata, Triaster, Triadic, Triona and Holmwood and the Norwegian ship Vinna—all sunk by gunfire of German raiders.

Still held by the Germans, they reported, were survivors from the British ships Turakina and Ringwood and the French vessel Notou. Captains and crew members brought to Australia said they were warned by their captors that they would be shot if they were again caught aboard armed ships.

On several occasions, from their prison quarters below deck, the survivors said, they heard gunfire as the German craft attacked other ships.

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Walter Camp, Jr., Dies in Los Angeles

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Musky Camp had been in the banking business in New York where he was associated with the firm of W. A. Harriman & Co.

Camp was graduated from Yale university in 1913. At Yale he played both freshman and varsity football. He was a former husband of Ruth Eider, noted flapper. They were divorced in 1932. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Margaret J. Camp; a son, Walter Camp III, of Woodbridge, Conn.; and a sister, Mrs. Gilbert Troxell, New Haven, Conn.

mittie on roads, is preparing to take up the military highways at the earliest possible moment. The military highways are of particular interest in his district. . . . President's message to the new congress has been revised several times already and will receive another going over before it is delivered. Formerly, a message was prepared and distributed days in advance, to be held for release.

Salem Sketches By Will Danch



"It's pretty hard for me to get used to standard model babies again after having delivered such a de luxe baby girl to Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Clemens!"

War Chronology

(By the Associated Press)

Here are the 1940 highlights of war in Europe:

January 5—Chamberlain shakes up cabinet to speed war effort; Hore-Belisha ousted as war secretary.

January 30—Hitler says allies will get "fight they asked for."

February 1—Russians start all-out drive against Finland on Karelian Isthmus.

March 12—Peace treaty ends Russian-Finnish war.

March 20—Premier Daladier of France resigns, succeeded by Paul Reynaud.

April 9—Germans invade Norway, Denmark.

March 15—British troops 'and in Norway.

May 2—Allies begin withdrawal from Norway.

May 10—Germans invade Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg; Winston Churchill succeeds Chamberlain.

May 14—Dutch army surrenders.

May 23—Germans reach channel coast.

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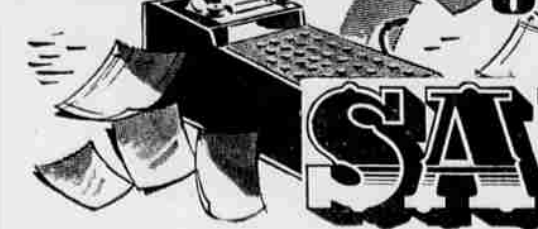
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